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Photo by Mark Arike

Minden resident Memphis Switzer gets a good look at himself in the side mirror of a fire truck at Make it Minden. See story on pages 40 and 41.

Housing grant overshadowed by reeve's letter

By Mark Arike Staff writer

The Kawartha Lakes-Haliburton Housing Corporation (KLHHC) has received a \$10,000 grant from the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC) to undertake a feasibility study on affordable

housing in Minden Hills.

However, some Minden Hills councillors say they weren't aware of a letter of interest that the reeve sent the KLHHC back in July of 2012.

"There was a very brief conversation about the need to send a letter of interest to them, so that they would be aware that Minden Hills was interested in being included," said Brigitte Gall, Ward 1 councillor and reeve candidate in the 2014 election.

"Unfortunately there was no resolution passed in open [session]," she said, adding that she never received a copy of the letter, which is on township letterhead and lists all members of council. "It's great that a letter went out, but I don't know what sort of parameters were within the letter."

The letter, which was signed by Reeve Barb Reid, was sent to KLHHC chair Eleanor Harrison and dated July 6. In it, Reid describes two properties that could

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Answer on OPP billing imminent

By Mark Arike Staff writer

According to a press release sent to the media, Yasir Naqvi, the Minister of Community Safety and Correctional Services, will present the media with details of a "fairer, more transparent OPP billing model" in a conference call on Aug. 14 at 1 p.m.

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I would assume you'd

property to be included

Brigitte Gall

Ward 1 councillor

need a resolution

identifying public

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in the survey.

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Councillors support housing project

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be considered for an affordable housing project.

"There is a plan underway to relocate the Minden Fire Department to a property on Highway 35. While we are not certain as to when this will take place, the Township of Minden Hills has already made a contribution to reserves in the amount of \$300,000 towards the cost of the new fire hall," wrote Reid.

"The fire hall sits on a large piece of land bounded by Pritchard Lane, Milne, Prince and St. Germaine streets. There is one small property (#4 Prince Street) that is still privately-owned and the balance is owned by the municipality."

She also indicated that the township's vision at the time was to donate "municipally-owned land for a combined facility that has a three-storey section of seniors apartments with adjacent family-orientated townhouses."

Reid concluded by asking that the "project idea" be placed on the board's agenda and be considered for future federal and provincial funding.

Gall said the letter should have been voted on by council because it identifies public, not private property.

"I would assume you'd need a resolution because you're identifying public property to be included in the survey," she said.

Other Ward 1 councillor Lisa Schell also said she just recently found out that Reid had submitted the letter two years ago on behalf of the municipality.

"If the township wanted to offer up lands, which is the content of this letter, that would be discussed at a council meeting, there would be a motion on the table," said Schell. "If the motion was passed, the CAO would write the letter on behalf of the municipality."

She said "one member of council cannot take it upon themselves to do that kind of thing."

In an email to The Highlander, Reid said

council provided verbal support for such a letter.

"At the May 28, 2012 council meeting, council confirmed their intention to purchase land on Highway 35 and relocate the fire hall. We also allocated, at that meeting, \$300,000 towards that project. Immediately following that decision I asked council if they wanted to send an expression of interest to the [KLHHC] in an affordable housing project. They indicated verbal agreement to this," she said.

According to Reid, the two potential sites

(the fire hall property and land located on Stouffer Street) were identified by AECOM consultants during the Village Master Plan process. The Master Plan was approved by council in February 2013, she said.

The terms of reference in the Master Plan, said Reid, "specified that the proponent was to

identify municipally-owned land to offer as an incentive to getting an affordable housing project paid for by the federal and provincial governments (similar to what is now known as Whispering Pines on County Road 21 in Dysart)."

"If the Terms of Reference of a major study included identifying land for an affordable housing project, why is there a suggestion that a letter to the [KLHHC] in July 2012 identifying our desire for a project so hard to imagine?" asked Reid. Reid pointed out that many of the discussions around the issue took place in closed session, but it was her understanding that she had council's approval

"Why our clerk at the time didn't ask for a separate resolution is unknown to me because I thought there was a resolution. Turns out there wasn't. I am not in charge of proper process - that's the job of the clerk."

The Highlander attempted to contact the current CAO Lorrie Blanchard for comment on procedure, but was unable to reach her as of press time.

The \$10,000 grant is being made available through the Seed Funding Program, which "provides financial assistance to carry out the initial activities required to develop a proposal for an affordable housing project that will result in increasing the stock of affordable housing in Canada," states the national

housing agency's website.

Hope Lee, CEO and secretary of the KLHCC, said the money will enable them to start working on the initial business case, "which will look at the needs in that area and whether we can develop a viable housing development

there in Minden."
After the business plan is completed, it will be put forward to the KLHHC's board of directors for approval. From there, it will go to the CMHC.

Lee said the goal is to get the first draft of the business case to the KLHHC's September or October board meeting.

"I would say maybe November of December we might have a finalized one." Once the study has been completed, the KLHHC will be able to obtain up to \$10,000 in the form of an interest-free loan, which is repayable if the housing project goes ahead. Lee said these funds can be used by corporations to help pay for expenses related to the project, such as preliminary drawings and rezoning fees.

The KLHHC also received seed funding from the CMHC in the development of the Whispering Pines project, located off County Road 21 in Haliburton.









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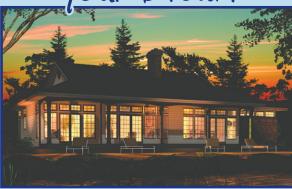
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Editorial opinion

Making the most of our past

Last weekend, local residents, cottagers and visitors explored some historic sites as part of Haliburton Village's Sesquicentennial anniversary.

For those not familiar with the term, that's 150 years.

The Haliburton Highlands Museum and Glebe Park were abuzz for a throwback party, which included a variety of oldfashioned games, spinning and weaving demos and live entertainment. The attractions were free-of-charge, making this fun and educational event accessible

The whole idea behind the party was to mark the initial settlement of Haliburton Village. It was designed to give people a glimpse into what life was like in the

"The Canadian Land and Immigration Company were the ones who sold the land to the early settlers," explained Butler. "They advertised the land as perfect for agriculture. The settlers got here and learned that the land was incredibly fertile, but they had to clear the event could be scheduled with guided land themselves.'

The ground was full of rock, so much so that settlers used it to build walls. Some people decided to persevere through their personal trials and tribulations, while others decided to pack up and head for greener pastures.

"It was more than they bargained for. It was more than what they were told it was going to be," said Butler.

However, those who chose to stay came to appreciate the natural beauty of the Haliburton Highlands, similar to the way that most cottagers do when they make their annual escape. The lumber industry

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grew and people made a living for themselves. Why's this

information relevant? The past shapes the present and some of the experiences that we enjoy today. It also gives us an appreciation for the hard work of our ancestors and other settlers who overcame hardships to lay

The museum wasn't the only local group to celebrate this important anniversary. Other recent local events, such as Midnight Madness and the Rotary Carnival's parade incorporated the Sesquicentennial theme into their festivities.

the groundwork for the Village.

But could more be done? Absolutely. One large coordinated effort to bring together numerous groups one under one umbrella could bring out bigger crowds interested in learning all about Haliburton - in a fun, welcoming environment.

Perhaps a week-long, family-friendly tours, film nights, special guest speakers, and even more of those games that don't require overpriced technology and an internet connection. Or, how about a full day of festivities with some live performance pieces based on what life was like in the 1800s?

Through collaboration, innovative thinking and a successful grant application or two, this could be a celebration for the ages. Think of Matt Duchene Day big.

The year's not over yet. Who's ready to start planning?

Better Minden

Over the long weekend, the county was a busy one and Facebook was naturally flooded with gorgeous shots of sunsets and lake views posted by cottagers and

Sadly, there were also several posts about poor service and rather unfriendly attitudes in local shops – posts made by local residents or former local residents.

The posts were frustrating to read, knowing that the community relies on tourism and good service is – tourism or not – essential for a town's reputation and economy. It's even more frustrating knowing that our town has plenty of room for improvement in other areas and something simple to implement – a smile, a friendly conversation, or a good deed, for example – might be lacking. Most frustrating of all is that in the game of 'whose hometown is better,' that Justin and I play, friendly shopkeepers in Kincardine possibly give him the edge, this round.

So when I run for reeve (just kidding -Minden's political landscape is exciting enough as it is, no?), here's what I'd add to our sweet little village.

More encouragement to walk. The Riverwalk is beautiful, and you'll hear several councillors mention it as part of their re-election campaign. But what more can be done? Can the Riverwalk lead all the way to Rotary Park, as at least one councillor has recommended? Can it be an attraction that would encourage hikers and geocachers and cyclists to our town? Can it stretch along the highway? If we're going to build Highway 35 up with new businesses and an EMS base and whatever might come next, ideally it will be safe for people on foot.

An accessible playground. Sure, I'm a bit biased, but if a town is going to have a playground, why not make it something that every kid can enjoy? Our friends in Elmira recruited volunteers in the town to help implement an accessible

playground that is hugely popular, and friends near Grand Bend recently posted photos of an accessible playground near their town that



By Sue Tiffin

they are proud enough to share on social media.

Events to draw the crowds. A detour in Alliston last weekend didn't annoy us much given that it was as a result of the annual Potato Festival. Of course the potato should be heralded, and what better way to put your town on the map by celebrating the root vegetable we all love to love? Collingwood has Elvis and Orillia has the Beatles ... is there room in Minden for a celebration of Pink Floyd? The dog sled derby is gone, but look at the crowd the Festival of the August Moon brings to town. We certainly have the spirit to pull off exciting and fun-filled events, we just need to shut down the street every once in

Continued beautification of the downtown core. On a recent trip to Windsor, Justin and I stuck to the back roads and drove through quaint and Norman Rockwell-esque small towns that were the stuff postcards are made of. Natural landscape-wise, Minden has it made – the river, the hills, the rocky cliffs - now we need to continue adding unique and useful businesses that look good on the outside while offering plenty on the inside ... including good service.

I'm proud of Minden Hills and the people who live here, but I also want the area to be one that out-of-towners take note of, too. Vote for someone who embraces positive change and improvement, join a committee to get involved in making our home a better place to live, and be friendly to others – you never know who is posting about you, and our town, for the world to

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Letters to the editor

Dirty potties turn off Eagle Lake mom

Dear editor,

I recently went down to Eagle Lake beach with my three-year-old to enjoy a day at the beach.

My little girl came to me and said she had to go to the bathroom. There were porta-potties there so off we went. As we opened the door the stench stopped me dead in my tracks and my daughter turned to me and said "Mom it's very dirty, I want to go home to pee."

We checked the one next to it and it was iust as bad.

If you are to provide a public washroom for people to use, they should be cleaned and kept up with. If not, get rid of them. They were hardly even porta-potties as they had what looked like a real toilet, but no tank for flushing. Needless to say if you're going to have a public washroom and not have it cleaned, why even bother to put one there? These ones should be either cleaned or removed.

Sue Paulin

Photo of the week

Photo by George Anderson

Helicopter fly-bys worth the annoyance

A bunny taking shade under a tree.

Dear editor,

In the July 24 edition, the Photo of the Week on page 5 was dedicated to the military helicopter on Piccadilly Bay doing its training exercises.

The caption noted that some local residents had complained because the exercise was too close to the water for

their liking. I would like to point out that it is this self-same helicopter which on that very same day assisted in the search for the missing boy on Tamarack Lake (July 24 edition, page 7). Yes, the helicopter was noisy and it's a little intimidating when it flies close to the water surface, but we on Tamarack Lake are very grateful that the pilots had the skills and the training

necessary when called in an emergency.

The boy was found and is safe. If that
means ripples on Piccadilly Bay or on any
of our lakes for a few hours each year, so
bo it

Barbara Arnold Tamarack Lodge Letters continued on page 6

The Outsider

Stop press: Mysterious deaths following Rotary Carnival

The child screamed. His parents, immediately alert, rushed to see what had happened. In the panic, glasses smashed and an innocent bystander was brushed roughly aside. And then, there it was, the body floating motionless in the water, eyes open, blank, staring. Oh the horror of it all. The child, shaking uncontrollably, couldn't take his eyes off of the scene. Even as his parents tried to drag him away, he craned his neck and wailed: "It's Ted! Ted's dead mummy, Ted's dead!"

There was no consoling him, for the child knew the victim. He had become close in the short time that they'd known each other and the duo, plus Bluey and Steve, had bonded in a fashion that only a child and his chums can.

There was a burial soon after. A brief, yet sombre affair, with the child taking the lead and insisting on lowering the box into the ground. The sobbing began again and his parents took turns to console him as he drifted in and out of sleep that night.

The next morning all seemed better until, no, surely not... That same scream. That same panic. Well, a little less panic this time but panic nonetheless. Steve had gone the same way as Ted and Bluey was soon to follow

suit. There was no explanation. There was no soothing of the child's obvious and raw grief, for he had lost three of his friends in the last week. Horror of horrors if it were ever to happen again. But happen it did in numerous homes around the county, and parents were powerless to stop it.

Thankfully, the carnival has passed through town and won't be back for another year, and us parents won't be cajoled and begged to throw ping pong balls into glass bowls all in the hope of winning what are obviously goldfish of frighteningly feeble constitution!

Little Z, or more correctly Little Z's mummy, won three goldfish at the recent Rotary Carnival and he proudly carried them carefully home. He named them during the car ride, as they swam forlornly in circles in the clear plastic bags half-filled with water, which sat on his lap. Bluey, because the little fish had a faint blue tinge to his demeanor (perhaps we should have taken that as a sign of his poor health); Ted and Steve because he liked those names. Little Z's eyes sparkled as we poured the fish into a large glass bowl and allowed him to feed them, not too much though because too much food might kill them.

Oh darn it. The little fellow probably thinks that he murdered the blinkin' fish. No wonder he's upset. Anyhow, after the passing of Ted, whom I attempted to flush down the toilet, only adding to my son's distress, my lovely wife and I began to suspect the worst. Steve was swimming on his side the following morning and we knew we were in for a rerun of the previous evening's funeral. Three large stones now mark the three small spots where our carnival goldfish are buried. I've only had to kick the cat about half a dozen times in order to assure her that digging up the fish is not a good idea. If the raccoons get a whiff then I think the fish are done for... Well, done for again so to speak. Their peaceful repast will be no more.

The upshot is that we had to promise more Teds, Steves and Blueys. We had to rush to the pet store and buy three new goldfish; three hardier souls who have so far stood the rigours of Little Z's overfeeding, and the attentions of the cat.

But enough of dwelling on the horror of the deaths in our household, what of this recurring scene across the county; make that country! I know of three other families who have had to endure the same excruciatingly painful and

yet ultimately hilarious grieving processes as their young children lost new found 'friends'.

By Will Jones

I've discussed how to lessen the impact, alleviate the pain, numb the hurting, of trying to hold in the laughter and keep a straight face as your five-year-old solemnly recounts a friendship now lost, over a spade-width hole in the middle of a weedy flowerbed, in which lays a matchbox containing a smelly dead goldfish.

But joking aside, the almost cult-like mass suicide of goldfish in and around Haliburton County recently is abhorrent. Those carniefolk should be ashamed! Then again, if the fish lived until next year no one would play the ping pong game again!

I suppose we should mark it down as a life lesson for Little Z and all of the other small children who have lost one or more goldfish this week. Take heed children, death is a horrible thing. It is upsetting and strikes when you least expect, and, if you play your cards right you can get your parents to spring for a puppy instead of more fish next year!



Highlander opinion

Eye on the street: Did you know that this year marked Haliburton's 150th anniversary? How did you celebrate?



Cole McLean

Haliburton

Yes I did know that it was the 150th anniversary. I celebrated it by working at the local CTC [Canadian Tire] store in Minden.

Jack Smith

Aurora

Yes I did know about it being the 150th. As soon as I get home I will have a wine glass of the finest sacramental wine to celebrate this great and glorious occasion.





Kathy Brooker

Stouffville

I had no idea that good old Haliburton was that old! I will celebrate it tomorrow with a sparkling Canada Dry club soda.

Logan White

Brantford

No, I did not know that. But now that I do know about the 150th we will celebrate it. Maybe with a glass of the finest made in Canada brew.





Timm Vera

Waterloo

We did not know that but I think we saw a sign saying something about it being old. The scouts from Waterloo and I will celebrate it today with pizza.

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Minden election one of the most important

Dear editor,

With the municipal election now only three months away, it is time for the electorate to be aware of the issues.

As ratepayers we should be knowledgeable of the actions of council over the last four years led by Reeve Barb Reid. In June of 2013, I presented a petition of concerned ratepayers (207 signatures) as to the lack of transparency, the constant turnover of staff, two dismissals, and the amount of money spent on lawyers and headhunters to replace these positions (Minden Times June 19, 2013; The Highlander June 20, 2013). The Reeve replied to the Highlander (June 30, 2013) calling us toxic, destructive people. As ratepayers we should be allowed to express our opinions to those who

were elected "by the people for the people" without being defamed in the press.

Fact: John Rogers was hired on contract by the township as interim CAO and special projects advisor between late 2010 and late 2012. His salary was kept secret. Chad Ingram, through months of digging, discovered we residents paid Rogers more than \$41,000 for 65 days of work. He continued to do work for the township in 2013 at a rate of \$565 a day plus HST ("Rogered", Minden Times Sept. 24, 2013; "Why the Secrets?", The Highlander).

Fact: Seventeen staff members have left or were dismissed over the last four years ("Between the Lines", Minden Times June 13, 2013; "A few bad apples", The Highlander June 20, 2013 letter to the editor from Barb

Reid).

Fact: Headhunters have cost the ratepayers approximately \$60,000 ("On Headhunting", Minden Times Sept. 21, 2013).

Though the reeve stated that I didn't have my facts straight, I believe these facts stated above prove my petition to be factual and a major concern to those 207 people who signed, to the many who were afraid to sign, and many who have spoken to me since.

This is one of our most important elections for Minden Hills. Read your newspapers. Learn the issues. Please exercise your right to vote.

Lois Rigney A concerned resident of Minden Hills



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Highlander news

By Courtney Griffin Staff writer

Ingoldsby man put off by speeders

Concerned resident Robert Barnett stood before county council on Aug. 13 to bring forward an issue that hits too close to home for him: speeding through the Community Safety Zone in Ingoldsby and near the Bonnie View Inn on Kashagawigamog Lake Road.

Barnett said motorists drive at higher speeds during the night as opposed to the daytime when speed limit signage is more visible, and that some action must be taken before an accident occurs. He said installing speed bumps may be beneficial in improving the quality of life for residents in the immediate vicinity, and in protecting innocent lives.

"I think that speeding on all our roads is an issue," said county councillor Murray Fearrey. While councillors discussed methods of reducing speeds on Kashagawigamog Lake Road, county councillor Barb Reid said she didn't feel that painting "slow down" on the road was going to cut it. She also brought up cyclists, who may be against speed bumps

which go all the way across the road. Council agreed to bring the matter up at a future meeting.

County council

Flood damage estimated at over \$125K

Flood damage costs for this year have been estimated at just over \$125,000 and funds have not yet been allocated for repairs.

The County's director of public works Doug Ray said the money may have to come from the funds allocated for future projects in the roads department. It was recommended that council proceed with the repairs and take money from surplus in other budgetary areas, or to dip into the general reserve.

Lease almost up on tourism centre

The Haliburton Information Centre on Highway 35 in Minden will reach the end of its lease on Jan. 31, 2015 and a decision regarding its future needs to be made.

Three options were presented to county council, including renewing the lease, building a township-owned tourism centre, or relocating the office to an available commercial location in the county.

County resolved to extend the lease by one year



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Aug 16

11:00 am, Irondale Horseshoe Tournament Irondale Community Centre Please call 705-447-2380

Aug 19

7:30 pm - 9:30 pm, Lochlin Community Centre Euchre Card Night, 4713 Gelert Road, Lochlin. No registration necessary. Everyone welcome! Call 705-286-3339 for more info.

Aug 20

10:00 am - 8:00 pm, Make it Minden - Merchant Sidewalk Sale, Downtown Minden

1:00 pm, Finance Advisory Committee meeting, Township Office, 2nd floor Boardroom

6:00 pm, Great Fires of Minden, Presented by the Minden Hills Museum

Aug 21 & 28

6:30 pm, Ghost Walks, River Cone in Minden www.mindenhills.ca/calendar for ticket info.

Aug 23

11:00 am - 3:00 pm, Founding Family Reunion featuring the Prentice Family, Minden Hills Museum. Public Welcome.

Aug 27

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm, Make it Minden - Camp Out Downtown Girl Guide Program, Village Green. Enjoy demonstrations and songs by the Minden Girl Guides to kick off their fall program. Public Welcome.

Aug 28

9:00 am, COTW/Regular meeting of Council, Minden Council Chambers (10:00 am Public Sesson)

Aug 30

8:30 -11:00 am, Hazardous Household Waste Day, Scotchline Landfill



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The early 1940's was a difficult time for Minden. This exhibition documents three fires that destroyed the business on Minden's Main Street in 1879, 1890, and 1942. There are also photos and info on the 1943 flood.

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National Film Board Thursdays

Thursdays from 2:00 pm to 3:00 pm (ongoing) The Minden Hills Cultural Centre offers documentaries by the National Film Board. This new and FREE event will take place in the Common Room every Thursday afternoon. These NFB film afternoons are based around the themes of Art, Heritage and the Environment. Watch for postings on the website and around the Cultural Centre. The theme for August 14 is Heritage, and the films are: 'The Spell of the Yukon' (43 min), and 'Heavy Horse Pull' (15 min)



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Things to note:

Participants must be over the age of 18 Canoes and art supplies will not be provided. If you do not own a canoe we may be able to pair you up with someone who does. Participants are encouraged to bring snacks as lunch is being served at 3pm Cost: \$10 per person

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Highlander news



High-speed project connects county homes

By Mark Arike Staff writer

More residents and business owners in Haliburton County have access to high-speed internet now that that the most recent phase of a project led by the Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus (EOWC) has been completed.

Local politicians and members of the caucus's Eastern Ontario Regional Network (EORN) gathered at county council chambers on Aug. 6 to celebrate the completion of three zones — Haliburton, Dorset and Hastings North.

In the Haliburton zone, an area that covers 2,700 square kilometres across the county and parts of Peterborough County and the City of Kawartha Lakes, improved service has been provided to at least 1,800 homes and businesses, according to Jim Pine, co-lead on the project for the EORN.

In total, about 9,600 households in Haliburton County will have access to internet speeds of at least 10 megabits per seconds (Mbps) through digital subscriber line (DSL), with an additional 2,850 gaining access to speeds in the 6-10 Mbps range

The contracts, which are with Bell Aliant, provide dedicated wired service with speeds of up to 15 Mbps. In the Haliburton zone, 121 kilometres of new fibre optic cable and eight new internet access points have been created. In areas without a wired service, users will be able to access satellite internet with speeds of up to 10 Mbps through Xplornet Communications Inc.

The entire project is intended to improve high-speed access to nearly 50,000 square kilometres of Eastern Ontario, a region that is split into 15 different zones. Over 34,800 homes and businesses now have access to the service.

Barry Devolin, Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock MP, credited the caucus with spearheading the project six years ago.

"It was the [caucus] that really came together and said, 'What do we need in our region?'" said Devolin.

"That's where this idea started and that's what led to the request of the provincial



Photo by Mark Arike

Dave Burton, chair of the EOWC and county warden, speaks about the challenges of bringing high-speed internet to Haliburton County and surrounding areas.

and federal governments for funding, each of which put \$55 million into this."

Those monies came from the Major Infrastructure Component of the Build Canada Fund and the Broadband Infrastructure Fund. The caucus and private sector partners raised the rest.

"We often complain that different levels of government don't work very well together, but I would argue that this is an example where we did work well together and we have proceeded through to today," he said.

As for what constitutes high-speed, that seems to change as technology continues to advance, said Devolin.

"I think that's a bit of a moving target

over the years as people use the internet in different ways," he said, calling high-speed an essential service, not a luxury.

Dave Burton, chair of the EORN and warden of Haliburton County, said the rugged landscape of the three zones made it difficult to complete this recent phase of the project.

"Improving internet access to this area was a significant challenge, even more challenging, frankly, than any other part of the whole region," said Burton. "It speaks of the complexity of this ambitious project."

He said the benefits of broadband internet are "real and tangible."

Rick Phillips, warden of Hastings

County and past EOWC chair, said this was "a huge start" and indicated that improvements will be made "in time."

"It's important to note that these three local networks are just a few pieces of a complex puzzle that is bringing high-speed internet access to more people in our region, and with it, increased economic opportunity and a better quality of life," said Phillips.

According to information from the EORN, the project was recognized as one of five organizations short-listed for an award from the Broadband World Forum in 2013.

The entire projected is expected to be completed by the end of the year.

Photo by Mark Arike

Wilberforce library receives award for accessibility

The Wilberforce library branch has received an award of excellence from Haliburton County's Barrier Aware team. On Aug. 12, member of the joint accessibility committee Marilyn Stafford presented the certificate of recognition to join accessibility chairwoman Suzanne Partridge. "It's a beautiful building," said Stafford. "We just loved it." Stafford, who was injured 21 years ago, said it's nice to see the advancements that have been made over the years to make life easier for those with disabilities.



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The Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce, in concert with our media partners (The Highlander, Echo/Times, Canoe FM & Moose FM) and CARP Chapter 54 will host All Candidates Meetings this fall.

All meetings will take place from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Tuesday, September 23:

Highlands East Lloyd Watson Community Centre

Thursday, September 25:

Algonquin Highlands Stanhope Firefighters' Community Hall

Tuesday, September 30:

Dysart et al Great Hall, Fleming College

Thursday, October 2:

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Monday, October 6:

Candidates for Reeve & Deputy-Reeve Great Hall, Fleming College

Each meeting will include questions from the floor.

If you will be unable to attend these meetings and would like to submit a question, please send it to:

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Corduroy Enduro event hits bump in the road

By Mark Arike Staff writer

The chairman of the 61st annual Corduroy Enduro has asked Highlands East council to consider closing certain portions of roads in the municipality in order to avoid violation fines. The event is scheduled to take place over three days in September in Gooderham, as well as parts of Minden Hills and Kawartha Lakes.

During an Aug. 12 council meeting, Blair Sharpless told councillors about the events that led to the organization being handed almost \$2,000 in fines because of motorcyclists who travelled on roads with off-road plates.

"On Friday, day one of last year's ride, some of the course marshals were stopped by an OPP officer from the Orillia detachment who was part of the S.A.V.E. (Snowmobile ATV and Vessel Enforcement) unit," wrote Sharpless in a letter to council. "I talked to the officer and explained that we had permission from the municipality having jurisdiction to use certain roads with off-road plated motorcycles."

Sharpless said the officer told him

that the municipality did not have the jurisdiction to do so, under the Highway Traffic Act and the Off Road Vehicle Act. He said he confirmed this information with Haliburton Highlands OPP detachment commander Chad Bark.

"The municipality does have the jurisdiction to close roads, they don't have the permission to give us to use off-road plates on those roads," he said.

In order to run the last two days of the event, a couple of roads were closed and the course was shortened drastically.

Sharpless provided council an outline of the roads that he plans on using for the event. He explained that the course has been redesigned to use as little of the roads as possible to get from one trail to another.

"It is not possible to eliminate all the roads unless we move the event to another area and run short repetitive loops."

Sharpless also asked if it would be possible to utilize some off the works department's equipment and tools, including a tractor to clear ditches, road signage and various road markers.

With just over a month until the event, Reeve Dave Burton expressed his disappointment with the late request.

"I don't know what the hold up was," said Burton, who did not support the

"It puts an awful lot of pressure on council trying to do all this within a month. I'm also going to say that with some of the asks here, there's a fair bit of expense involved."

Sharpless said the club doesn't expect the municipality to spend money on the event.

"The club has money from other things ... the other alternative is we'll go somewhere and rent one of those [a tractor]," he said. Councillors agreed that the event provides value to the area, but they wanted Sharpless to speak to the OPP to ensure that road closures are handled properly this

"We need to get the ruling of the OPP out of the way," said Ward 3 councillor Cecil Rvall. "I think it's extremely important that we get that information to us as quickly as possible."

Council passed a resolution, in principle, to close portions of certain roads. Sharpless was advised to contact the municipality's CAO once he has been in contact with the OPP.



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Fencers sharpen their skills

A group of teens practice their fencing skills at the Haliburton School of the Arts.



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Highlander business

Tanning bed operators support new ban

By Mark Arike Staff writer

The few local businesses that make indoor tanning beds available to their customers don't seem to mind a new law that bans youth under the age of 18 from accessing these services.

The piece of legislation, known as the Skin Care Prevention Act, came into effect May 1 and was adopted by the Ontario government.

"Even before the ruling, it was always with parental consent," said Sharon Rowden, owner of Touch of Class Day Spa in Haliburton. "We actually had a form drawn up and the parents had to sign it if they were 18 and under. I've always done that and the previous owners have done that, too."

Rowden said it is rare for teenagers to visit her business for a tan, but some do come by during prom season.

"Some of them like to be a little tanned in their prom dresses, but for the most part we don't get a lot of underage teenagers using it,"

Rowden doesn't believe the new law will negatively impact her business and she is supportive of what it's trying to achieve.

"I don't disagree with it; I think it's a good

From her experience, Rowden says that most local residents looking for a tan are doing so because they want "a base" before going off to a warmer destination.

Before the law was introduced, Ommmh

Beauty Boutique in Minden required parental consent for teenagers and no one under 16 could use the on-site tanning bed.

"We only had three kids and they were like 16-18 anyway," said Shawn Laven, owner of Ommmh Beauty Boutique. "They still had to have parental consent for it, and to be honest, it made absolutely no difference in our business just because there isn't enough call for it for anyone under that age."

Laven said most of his tanning bed users range in age from the mid-20s to 50s.

Although he isn't opposed to the new law, Laven said he would like to see some educational information made available to the public on different tanning methods.

"When [they changed] the law, what they didn't do was [provide] education as to why one is better or one is worse. Unfortunately, when you look at what's going on in the marketplace, these kids are all outside tanning and outside is even more dangerous than inside tanning because there's no regulation on it," he said.

In addition to the ban on tanning beds, the law also prohibits the marketing of tanning services to youth.

"Specifically, it will require tanning bed operators/businesses to post warning signs on their premises stating the ban on minors and the health risks of tanning bed use, as well as direct the operators to request identification from anyone who appears to be under age 25," wrote Bill Eekhof, assistant communications officer for the Haliburton-



Photo by Mark Arike

Sharon Rowden, owner of Touch of Class Day Spa, opens up her tanning bed.

Kawartha-Pine Ridge District Health Unit in an email. "Set fines are in place for operators who fail to comply."

Eekhof pointed out that public health inspectors with the health unit will investigate complaints and enforce the law. Fines are \$5,000 for individuals and \$25,000 for corporations, for every day or part of a day for which they fail to comply with the law.

To his knowledge, no charges have been laid including signage and other resources. by the Health Unit in this area.

"It's still early in the transition, and our goal right now is to work with operators so they understand what is needed and work towards compliance," he said.

The health unit will be undertaking an education campaign to ensure that local residents and businesses comply with the law. Eekhof said the campaign is expected to start in the fall and will provide more information,





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Canadian Brass opens Forest Festival

By Courtney Griffin Staff writer

The Forest Festival kicked off Tuesday night with the phenomenal quintet Canadian Brass. Due to inclement weather, the concert was moved from the open-air Bone Lake Amphitheatre to the Historic Logging Museum at the Haliburton Forest and Wild Life Reserve.

While audience members were disappointed at the location change, and anticipated that the sound of the concert would be negatively impacted by the change in the acoustics, they were glad to be ensured a dry performance.

"Just to hear the brass on the lake, I thought it would be wonderful, but oh well," said Jan Pierson of Eagle Lake.

"If we're going to get the hail that they're calling for, I'm just as happy to be inside," said Pierson's husband, Don.

While Jan attended the Forest Festival a couple of years ago, Don is brand new to the event. The couple said they would be attending two other concerts, including the Jim Cuddy and Greg Keelor show and the

finale concert featuring Bruce Cockburn on Aug. 17.

Cheryl and Larry Grigg, who have seen previous concerts at the Bone Lake Amphitheatre, were also disappointed with the change in location due to the weather.

"I think they've missed an opportunity to go out to Bone Lake and to have the acoustics out there," said Cheryl. "I hope they take the time [Wednesday] to go out there and play around with the sound. The sound out there is amazing. We made sure to go to the Sydney Opera House in Australia and the acoustics there, well, they didn't compare to Bone Lake."

Despite the unfortunate weather forecast and resulting venue change, Canadian Brass put on an incredible show which culminated in a standing ovation. The band played compositions and arrangements of the "Little Fugue in G Minor" and "Air from Orchestral Suite No. 3" by Johann Sebastian Bach, "Handful of Keys" and "Amazing Grace" by Luther Henderson, and "Penny Lane" by The Beatles, among others.

"The Beatles popularized a lot of



Photos by Courtney Griffin

Top: Left to right: Bernhard Scully, Chuck Daellenbach, Achilles Liarmakopoulos and Chris Coletti perform in the Historic Logging Museum. Above: The quintet joins festival director Stuart Laughton after the show.

instruments that had never been heard of in Rock and Roll before," the band explained.

"Penny Lane" was played by quintet member Caleb Hudson on the unusual Piccolo Trumpet, while "Beale Street Blues" featured the French horn and trombone.

"The trombone is prominent in jazz but the horn, not so much," said Canadian Brass by way of introduction. "After you see Bernhard play [Beale Street Blues], you'll wonder why."

The members of Canadian Brass, Chuck Daellenbach on Tuba, Bernhard Scully on French horn, Achilles Liarmakopoulos on trombone, and Hudson and Chris Coletti on trumpet, played "Molihua", a song from their new album "The Great Wall" which will be released on October 14.

M.B. Daellenbach, Chuck's wife of some 25 years and representative of their label Opening Day, said the concert marked the first time the band has played a song from their newest album in live concert.

The Forest Festival will be running until Aug. 17.

For the full-line-up of performers visit www. theforestfestival.com.

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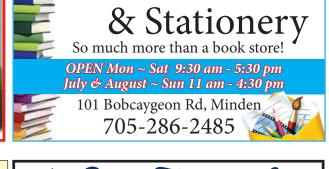
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Minden Book





A chat with potter Renée Woltz

Ceramics is an art form that has always interested me (and yes, when it's done exceptionally well it can be considered art). For a while now I've wanted to get my hands in some clay; make something, and then write about the experience.

Though that hasn't happened yet I still keep my eyes peeled for interesting pieces. We have some very fine potters in the county, a fact attested to by Renée Woltz who's fairly new to the area. I recently saw some wonderful raku and carved ceramic pieces by Woltz at the Agnes Jamieson Gallery, and as hers was a name I was not familiar with, I decided to go on a fact-finding mission by giving her a call

She's from Kingsville in the Windsor area, and she moved up to Lake Kashagawigamog Lake with hubby Glen, in 2011, after they'd both retired. Woltz first became interested in ceramics when she was enrolled in the Fine Arts course at the University of Windsor.

"For some people, when they get their hands on clay the first time they know it's the right thing for them," Woltz said. And so it was with her, though upon graduation from university in 1977 her potting had to take a back seat to her professional career, which was working for the federal government in resource development.

It wasn't until 1992 that she returned to ceramics in any kind of significant way when she finally set up her own studio in her basement. "It felt so good to get back to what I really love to do," she said. Although she was still only a part-time potter, Woltz started to sell her work at arts and crafts shows around the Windsor area.



Photo submitted

Two cut and pierced vases by Renée Woltz.

The couple's eventual move to the Highlands was due in part to "an environment where the arts were appreciated and encouraged," Woltz said. What she found here, artistically speaking, were established potters whose "incredible work" Woltz found somewhat intimidating. "But it also inspired me to improve my own work and find my niche and artistic vision," she said.

Where has her vision taken her? "Making art is a journey, but I'm happy with the path that I'm on," she responded. Like

many potters, Woltz makes practical pieces of pottery that people can use every day as well as decorative offerings. But her vision carries to both forms.

The ceramics that caught my eye were her white glazed vases that were carved, and pierced right through, like filigree. "In my carved pieces I'm trying to give a sense of flow, movement and lightness as the eye travels along the carved lines," Woltz said.

She was initially working with a carved leaf motive in her more functional pieces,

and that ultimately led to her carrying the motif even

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further in her filigreed ceramic work. "I think the way I deal with my carving is probably my signature technique," Woltz said. "There are no new techniques in pottery, but I'm not seeing a lot of it elsewhere."

The future is what Woltz said she had to figure out next. "Like a lot of artists I enjoy creating, but I need to devote more thought to marketing," she said. "The logical next step is probably to apply to one of the smaller studio tours."

She's not doing too badly getting her work out there. Woltz exhibited, for the second year, at the recently concluded Art and Craft Festival in Haliburton, where she sold over 80 pieces. "It was a profitable experience," she admitted, "and some people now are coming back looking to add to their collections of my functional pottery."

Ceramics by Renée Woltz can presently be seen and purchased at the Agnes Jamieson gallery in Minden and at the Rails End

Gallery in Haliburton. Her Halikash Pottery studio is also open to the public by appointment.

Woltz is well on her way to attaining the status enjoyed by our other fine potters, and she's very appreciative of what makes the Highlands such a special place to live and work. "This area has lived up to everything I had hoped for," she said. "It's such a beautiful and inspiring natural environment and the people have been so welcoming and encouraging."



SPARC hires network coordinator

By Courtney Griffin Staff writer

Elisha Barlow has been named the network coordinator for Supporting Performing Arts in Rural Communities (SPARC), and she is already hard at work organizing a summit for fall 2014.

The summit will bring in an expert coordinator to lead 50-70 individuals in discussing and discovering what resources and networks exist within the performing arts, and determining how SPARC can help.

"Many rural communities are also remote communities - providing a way for them to connect and share what works and what doesn't work will benefit them all," said Barlow.

Barlow will be completing research on networking possibilities, and her ideas already include resource sharing, an online community, advocacy, mentoring, and future SPARC symposiums.

"SPARC is really about connecting rural communities together to help make them all stronger for the future," said Barlow.

The volunteer-led SPARC committee is made up of a variety of individuals involved in local performing arts. Barlow said the committee is keen on connecting with those involved in the performing arts in other rural communities.

The chief goal for Barlow is to create a network which will allow information to be shared between individuals and rural communities on the production, creation, and participation in the performing arts.



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Elisha Barlow busy at work at the Haliburton Creative Business Incubator.

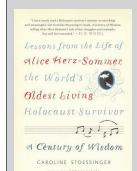




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Top: Jim Nelson leads the live auction while volunteer Beth O'Connor displays a piece of art. Above: Visitors browse the works available for purchase in the silent auction.

Art auction provides financial aid to Fleming students

By Mark Arike Staff writer

Nearly 100 pieces of art raised close to \$15,000 for student scholarships and bursaries at this year's Haliburton School of the Arts Faculty Art Auction.

The Great Hall at Fleming College's Haliburton campus was full of artists and art appreciators Aug. 7 for the annual event.

"It's a very special night when you're able to come and see some of the wonderful creations that our faculty have donated toward this evening's event," said Sandra Dupret, campus dean and principal.

After the event, Dupret told The Highlander that the event was "a great success."

As in previous years, the live auction was led by auctioneer Jim Nelson and his assistant Kent Farndale. Guests were also able to bid on items in a silent auction.

A group of volunteers from the Haliburton Friends Network and college staff organized the event, which has been an annual tradition for over 30 years.

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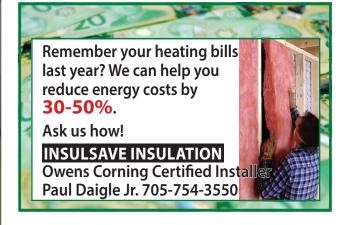


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Top: Noelle Dupret Smith holds up a vase that was up for grabs in the live auction. Above: Jim Nelson gets art appreciators to place their bids.

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Artists open their doors in Highlands East

By Matthew Desrosiers
Editor

The Highlands East Studio Tour is in full swing, and there's still another weekend if you've missed it.

Visitors can stop in to one of several studios in Highlands East on Aug. 16-17 to see handmade creations in everything from fabric arts to painting and wood crafts.

Jan Simon, the tour's chair and owner of Dreamweaver Boutique, said the first weekend went very well. One of the big hits so far has been the quilts and fabric arts in Wilberforce, located at the old Monmouth Library in town.

"It's been very good," Simon said. "[The quilters] had a lot of people through yesterday [Aug. 7]. It keeps them interested since it's their first year. We needed something different."

Simon herself has also been busy. Her studio is a mix of homemade crafts and jewellery, including baby clothing and dresses.

"[I like] creating items for people and seeing joy in their

faces when they buy them," Simon said. "There are a lot of people who still like handcrafted items rather than mass-produced ones."

Along with her jewellery and clothing, Simon custom-makes items for some of her clients.

In addition to the art tour, the attached geocaches have also been doing well. Simon said the new cache they created for the quilters was found on the very first day, by three different people. She said the cachers really like how the tour manages their caches. Most of the time the prize is to be first to find the cache, but the tour's caches vary from first to find, to third to find, for example.

Geocaching is an outdoor activity in which participants use GPS devices to locate hidden items.

For those who haven't come out to the tour yet, Simon said there's still time.

"It's a chance to see some great handmade works of art, from all mediums," she said.









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Museum goers celebrate Haliburton's 150th

By Mark Arike Staff writer

The Haliburton Highlands Museum threw a party Aug. 9 to celebrate Haliburton Village's 150th anniversary.

The sesquicentennial celebrations included children's face painting, a variety of demonstrations, contests and old-fashioned games such as croquet, ring toss, horseshoes and graces. Visitors were also able to the tour the buildings on the museum grounds.

All of the activities were free-of-charge to the public.

"It's been great," said museum director Kate Butler, adding that a steady stream of visitors made their way to Glebe Park to partake in the festivities.

"What we're celebrating is the initial settlement of Haliburton Village," said

The emphasis of the event was placed on highlighting the various challenges that early settlers faced when migrating to the area, as well as the fun they managed to have despite trying times.

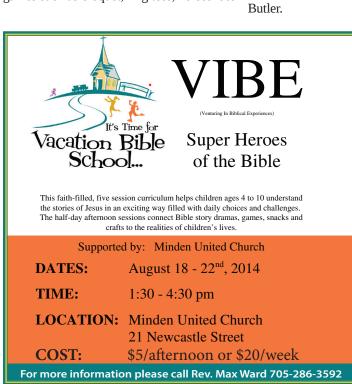
"No matter how hard life was for those first settlers they always found time to have some fun," she said.

Butler pointed out that the event brought several first-time visitors to the museum. "[There are] definitely people for whom

this has been their first contact with the museum, and we hope that they'll become regular visitors as well. It's been great exposure for us and we're honoured that we got to throw the party."

For those who missed the party, Butler said the sesquicentennial theme will continue to be celebrated throughout the

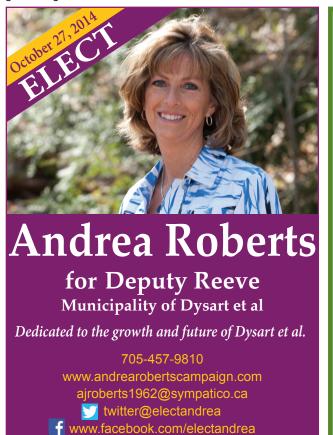
"I'm hatching some great plans, but nothing firmed up yet," she said.







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Above: A group of children give it their all
in a game of tug-of-war. Far right: Museum
director Kate Butler greets visitors with
cupcakes. RIght: Rudy MacNeil plays a
game of graces.





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Haliburton resident Mike Stinson, far right, receives his cheque for \$30,000 from Andrew Hodgson, chair of the Rotary Carnival and Car Draw. Also pictured are David Zilstra, president of Haliburton Rotary Club and Maureen O'Hara, seller of the winning ticket.

Luck on Rotary Car Draw winner's side

By Mark Arike Staff writer

Mike Stinson was only seven years old when he was named the lucky winner of a boat in a draw hosted by the Haliburton Rotary Club.

On Aug. 6, Stinson once again had his name drawn, this time in the club's annual car draw held in Head Lake Park during the Rotary Carnival.

"I was at camp when the Rotary Club raffled off a wooden boat," said Stinson while reflecting on his first win in 1955. "My father [Rea Stinson] was one of the starting members of [the] Rotary [Club] and I won the boat."

He said the club sold the boat and invested the money on his behalf.

Stinson purchased \$100 worth of tickets in this year's draw for a 2014 Chevrolet Camaro (valued at \$38,000) or \$30,000 cash. Since he already owns three vehicles,

Stinson opted to take the money.

David Zilstra, president of the Haliburton club, called Stinson immediately after the draw to give him the good news.

"David called me at 10:33 [p.m.]," he said, adding that it was "fantastic."

The 66-year-old Stinson joked that he would have considered taking the car if he was 20 years younger. Asked if he has any big plans for the cash, Stinson said he may look at building a deck.

Stinson has been buying tickets for many

years now, and plans on continuing to do so in the future.

Born and raised in Haliburton, Stinson retired a year-and-a-half ago from Dysart's roads departments after a 27-year career. He spent five years with the OPP prior to that.

According to Zilstra, 6,000 tickets were sold in this year's draw, bringing the total raised to at least \$50,000. All proceeds will go toward community projects.



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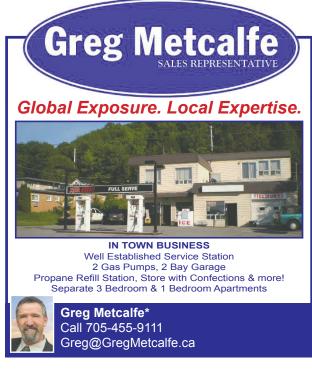
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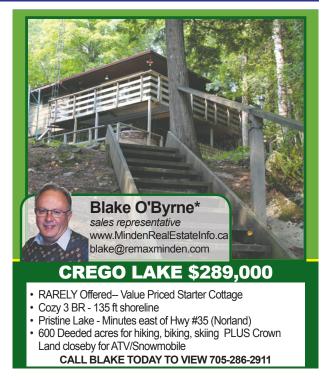


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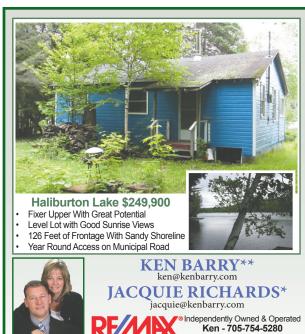












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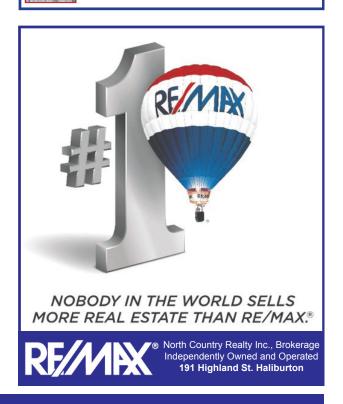


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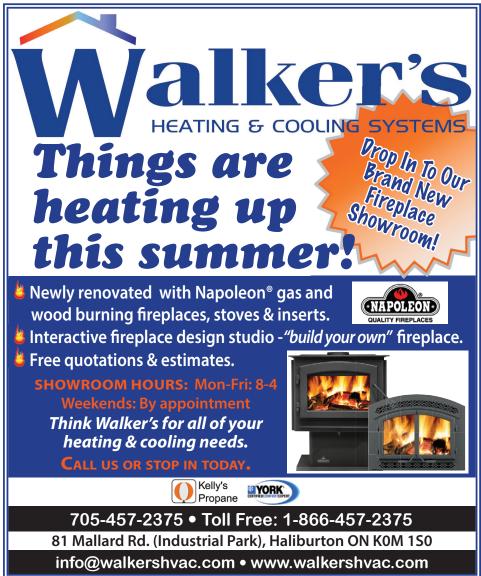


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Top: Thomas Kovacs performs on the shores of Kennisis Lake. Above: Visitors browse songs books to make their requests.

Lakeside concert belts it out for dental clinic

By Courtney Griffin Staff writer

Janis Parker and Ron Kozak opened up their Kennisis Lake home on Aug. 10 to host a concert featuring Thomas Kovacs in support of the Volunteer Dental Outreach (VDO) for Haliburton County.

The event, attended by approximately 40 people, raised \$800 which will be put toward the costs associated with running the free dental clinic in Haliburton. So far, the VDO has helped more than 450 Haliburton County residents receive urgent

dental care when it would otherwise have been out of reach. The clinic costs \$6,000 per month to run, and relies on volunteers and fundraising.

Parker is the chair and treasurer of the board.

During the concert, Kovacs took song requests from the audience and played numbers by such artists as Cat Stevens, Van Morrison, Gordon Lightfoot, and Harry Belafonte.

For more information about the VDO, visit their website at www.dental-outreach. com or call 705-457-3111.

Through my eyes

Comedy gold

I am sure that many of you wouldn't think of me as funny if you have been reading my columns on a regular basis, but I am a comedic person. I love making other people laugh. I just need to figure out how to do that without drawing too much attention to myself, but one-on-one I can be very amusing. Some other things you may not know about me are, I love classical music – I am listening to Beethoven as I write this column. I also like the sensation (feeling) of hearing others compliment my work – something I had never experienced from total strangers and I must say it made me feel good. Most of my readers know about the daily issues I face, but it may not give you the entire picture of who I am. My columns almost always revolve around an event in my life or something in the news that has given me cause to write about it, but today I decided I wanted to do something different for all of my readers.

I wouldn't say I'm a comedian (nowhere close to being a comedian) but I have my moments of levity and happiness. I especially like to do narrations about what the dog is doing in some foreign accent and it cracks my grandmother up. Sometimes I get her laughing so hard she has to wipe her eyes. I am comfortable enough with my close family to engage in such antics without feeling self-conscious. While I do enjoy making others laugh I also find it very unnerving when someone

I don't know approaches me and tries to engage in a conversation.



So how would I be able to share my humour when not feeling comfortable in front of others or crowds? Some have suggested I might be able to share it through radio or some other anonymous way. So now you are asking yourself why would an introverted person like me want to do this?

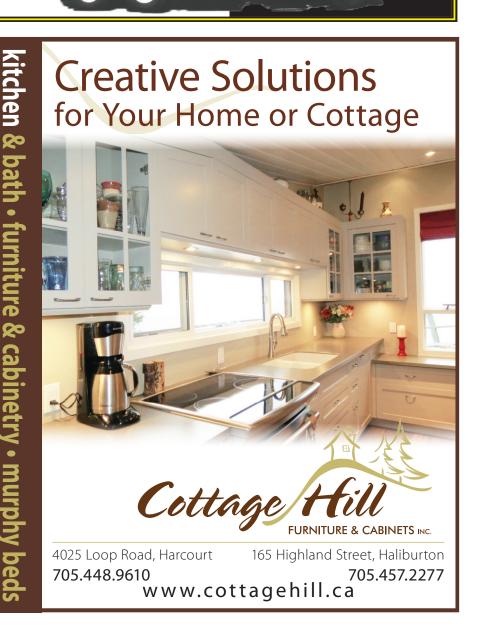
Why do I want to entertain others? Because people need to cheer up. Life is too short to hold onto your past, your grudges and hatred. You need to find a way to laugh at your mistakes, we all make them. Laugh when things go wrong, inevitably something will at some point. Humans generally are far more serious than they need to be. That is why comedy shows are so popular, they lighten the otherwise too serious world we live in.

So maybe I will get a video camera and start recording some little narratives and find a way to share them. If I can make people laugh it makes me feel good, like getting a compliment. I want to make people feel happy. Who knows, perhaps I will end up famous on YouTube ... The unknown comic like the guy on some game show in the 80s my grandmother was telling me about.

If you think about it comedy and funny people have been around a very long time so the world must need the levity.







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16th Annual Best Ball Golf tourney in Wilberforce

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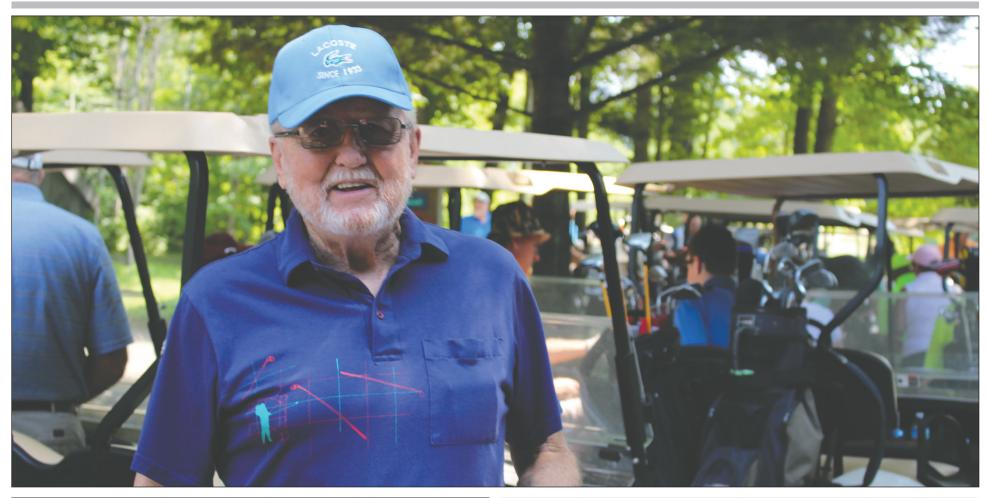
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Top: Chairman of the Golf Tournament, Gary Thorpe. Above: Pat Wright gets ready to swing at her ball.

Golfers tee off for Haliburton Legion

By Courtney Griffin Staff writer

The Haliburton Legion was thankful for the gorgeous weather on Aug. 9 as they kicked off their annual golf tournament at the Haliburton Highlands Golf Club at 1 p.m.

President of the Haliburton Legion, Carla Watson, said the annual tournament usually raises about \$400-500.

"It's not a lot, but every little bit helps," said Watson. "We all go back to the legion afterwards for food and drinks. It's always a really good time."

This year's tournament rallied 52 participants, the most the event has ever

had. Teams were made up of four people, including novice and experienced golfers, who played a scramble format.

Local businesses donated prizes which were distributed back at the legion after the tournament.

"We draw names for prizes to make it fair," said Watson. "This is always a good time. We have beautiful weather today, and everyone looks forward to the event."

Watson added her thanks to the Haliburton Highlands Golf Club, which has hosted the event for the last few years, and to all participants for supporting the Haliburton Legion

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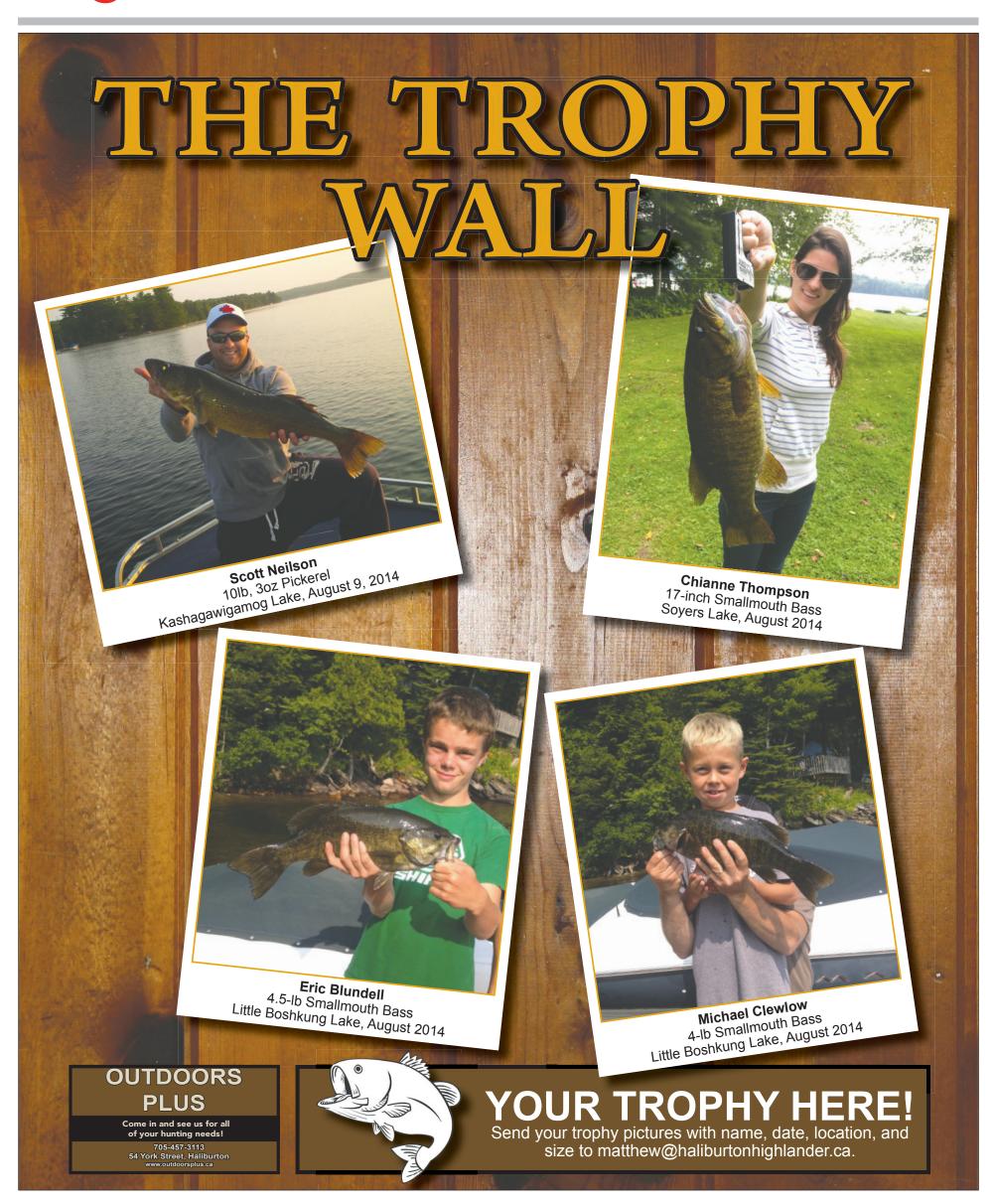


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Top: This Buffalo Sabres Cody Hodgson jersey was auctioned off for \$450. Above right: Cindy Burkett of Minden won the Home and Garden package, which included a facecord of split wood, Timber Mart gift certificate, chair, trellis, and more. Above left: Kate Hutt, the lucky winner of the Hi-Tek package which included an iPad mini, case, HP printer, and two hour tutorial.

BBQ brings in bucks for Outdoors Association

By Courtney Griffin Staff writer

The Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association (HHOA) hosted their 15th annual chicken and rib dinner fundraiser on Aug. 9, which sold out for the second year in a row. All proceeds are going towards conservation efforts including the collection, rearing, and stocking of trout and pickerel in local lakes.

The event featured door prizes, kids' auction, bucket auction, 50/50 draw, super raffle, and a live auction, with all prizes donated by local businesses and individuals.

The first door prize winner, Elaine Brown, won a \$75 gift certificate to Rhubarb Restaurant in Carnarvon, while the second winner, Marc Jones, won two Argos football tickets and two bottles of maple syrup.

The winning 50/50 card was the three of spades from the red deck, held by Susan Hill.

Hill graciously donated \$500 of her winnings back to the HHOA and Fish Hatchery.

The live auction, hosted by well-known local auctioneer Norman Mills, raised a considerable amount of money for the HHOA. A fishing package, which boasted a kayak, fishing rods, nets, tackle box, life jackets and more, sold for \$1,450. Other big items included a Matt Duchene jersey, a Buffalo Sabres Cody Hodgson jersey, and artwork by John Lennard, Lucy Manly and Lolita Mitchell.

Cindy Burkett was the lucky winner of the Home and Garden package, which included a face cord of split wood, a Limberlost chair, a Timber Mart gift certificate, a trellis and more. Cheryl Grigg won the Wine and Dine package, and Kate Hutt held the lucky ticket for the Hi-Tek package which included an iPad and case, a tutorial and an HP printer.

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Fewer deer and elk tags this year

By Courtney Griffin Staff writer

Ontario hunters may have noticed a decrease in the number of deer and elk tags this year, partially resulting from the long and difficult winter of 2013-2014. Many areas suffered through deep snow for long periods of time, predominantly in central Ontario, which triggered tag reductions to help sustain wildlife populations.

"The greatest reductions of antlerless [deer] validation tags were in Parry Sound District and Kemptville District," said Colin Higgins, senior fish and wildlife technical specialist with the Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR). "Additional seals were removed from parts of Parry Sound, Peterborough, Midhurst, Guelph, and Aylmer Districts."

Haliburton County was unable to avoid tag cuts, with an approximate 20 per cent reduction in antlerless seals in Wildlife Management Units (WMUs) 54 and 56, said the MNR.

"Taking into consideration 2013 deer hunting harvest results and the effects of last winter on the deer herd i.e. deep snow for prolonged periods of time. However, the odds of hunters receiving an antlerless deer validation tag in 2014 are excellent."

The MNR estimates that WMU 54 will yield a 65 per cent success rate of



Photo by Courtney Griffin

A doe spotted munching on the grass at the intersection of County Road 1 and South Lake Road.

antlerless deer tag applications, while WMU 56 will result in 78 per cent success. WMU has a 2014 quota of 800 seals and WMU 56 has 1850, down from 1,000 and 2,300 respectively.

While the elk population in the Bancroft-North Hastings region is within the healthy zone, it is near the low end of the population spectrum, thereby instigating a decrease from 70 tags to 55 tags. The purpose of the decreased tag numbers is to limit the number of mature bull elk harvested, which will contribute to the sustainability of the elk herd. Only some

WMUs east of Haliburton are permitted to hunt elk.

Hunters can find out if their deer or elk tag applications were successful by visiting www.ontario.ca/outdoorscard or calling 1-800-288-1155. Results are now available for elk and antlerless deer tag applications.



Highlander events



Photo by Courtney Griffin

Anabel Acero, 7, of Haliburton, got into the spirit of the Festival with face paint and a parasol.

Minden celebrates annual Japanese tradition

By Courtney Griffin Staff writer

The fourth annual Festival of the August Moon took place on Aug. 10 at the Wild Swan Bed & Breakfast in Minden, and drew crowds of all ages. The event boasted Japanese dancing, face painting, lantern painting, fan decorating, stilt walking, Kimono making, and traditional Japanese folk tales.

As explained by Momoko Oishi, the festival is inspired by Toro Nagashi. The ceremony is a Japanese tradition in which participants float lanterns down a river.

"Your ancestors who have passed recently

visit you, and at the end of Bon you send the lantern down the river to send them to peace on the other side," said Oishi.

Oishi and two others, Yasuko Kano and Masae Otani, came from Toronto to participate in the event for a second year in a row. The three women wore traditional Japanese kimonos in resplendent purples, blues, reds and greens, and led the crowd in The Coalminer's Dance and Tokyo dancing.

While some danced, others had their faces painted by roofer Jeremy Armstrong. When asked how a roofer by trade came to be painting faces at a cultural festival honouring Japan tradition, he said it all started with a bet.

"I made a bet two years ago when I was here

that if I got my face painted, I got to paint someone's face. It's all progressed from there ... I wanted to help out," said Armstrong.

Many of the crowd of 300 painted their white paper lanterns with a variety of motifs, including simple Japanese symbols, nature scenes, and abstract art.

Local resident Margot Ziorjen attends the event annually in memory of her late son.

"It's a different experience. [I'm here] in honour of my son who passed two years ago. I've used the same lantern a couple of years now ... I keep fishing it out and repainting it, as it bleaches out over time," said Ziorjen.

As the sun set, lanterns were lit and carried by their creators across the pedestrian bridge to the shoreline on Water Street, where they were let go with warm wishes. As the lanterns floated down the Gull River, kayakers ensured the vessels stayed away from the rocky shoreline and completed their voyage.

Organizers Rejeanne Anthon and Pam Smith were extremely appreciative of all the efforts put forth to make the event a success again this year.

"[T]he cavalcade of lanterns floating on the Gull was both breathtaking and contemplative," said Anthon. "The extraordinarily huge moon crowned the evening for the crowds following the lanterns to Minden bridge."





Photos by Courtney Griffin

Top: left to right, Yasuko Kano, Masae Otani, and Momoko Oishi came from Toronto to lead the crowd in Japanese dance. Right: Lanterns float down the Gull River from the Wild Swan B&B to the Minden bridge. Above: The pedestrian bridge connecting Invergordon Avenue and Water Street was decorated with paper lanterns which were lit at dusk.



Big expectations for 150th County Fair

By Matthew Desrosiers Editor

It's time to go out to the fair.

On August 15-16, the Minden Fairgrounds will host the 150th annual Haliburton County Fair, and it promises to be a grand affair.

"We hope to have a truck pull on Friday night and on Saturday, we've got some more rides coming in for the kids," said fair board president Paul Sisson. "The horse pull on Saturday night is the big one."

Sisson said it's important to keep the fair going because it's been a tradition in the county.

"It started out with people competing from the farms years ago," he said. "It just kept going and expanding. Right now it's a lot of work but we still do it."

"It's always been a big affair in Minden. It always draws a big crowd of people."

The fair has something for everyone, Sisson said. All the children's activities are free on the grounds once admission is paid. That includes any rides or games. The shows are also free to watch after paying admission. The only extra cost is food, he said.

"We'd like to see some great numbers," said Sisson.

Between 3,000 to 4,000 would be the goal, he said.

Events throughout the day include



File photo

A horse pull from last year's Haliburton County Fair.

entertainment by local bands, a mutt show, laser tag, miniature and light horse show, zip lining, a 24-foot climbing wall, truck and tractor pull, heavy horse pull, classic car show, sheep shearing competition,

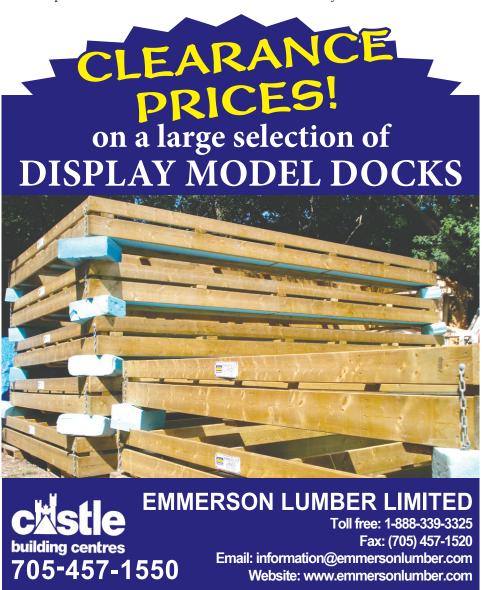
horseshoes, demolition derby, and more. Adults pay \$6 on Friday night for admission and \$10 on Saturday, while kids pay \$3 on Friday and \$6 on Saturday. Weekend passes cost \$15 for adults and \$8 for kids. A camping pass is \$20 per trailer for those who want to make a weekend out of it

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Top: Gord Kidd and the 50/50 Band entertained the crowds at the Wilberforce Agricultural Fair. Above Right: Highlands East Ward 1 councillor Steven Kauffeldt was a good sport, as kid after kid dunked him in the tank -- even if they didn't hit the target with their ball. Above left: Ethan Evans and his dog Nelson won Best in Show, finishing with the most overall points in the Wilberforce Agricultural Fair's dog show. The pair took second place in the best trick competition, third in best groomed, first in best kisser, first in the obstacle course, and fourth in sit pretty.



Annual Wilberforce fair offers fun for the whole family

By Matthew Desrosiers
Editor

Hundreds came out between Aug. 8-9 to participate in the annual Wilberforce Agricultural Fair held at the fairgrounds.

Although organizers said numbers were down from last year for the dinner and breakfast, the crowd filled out as the day went on. The annual heavy horse draw drew a large gathering, as spectators watched teams of large Belgian horses pull up to 9,500 lbs.

The winning team at the heavy horse draw was Dan McCormick and his horses, Duke and Briggs.

Other events during the fair included a nail

driving competition, jump castle, children's activities, a frog race, hair colouring and face painting, an antique car show, a dog show including obstacle course and best trick, and a dunk tank.

Gord Kidd and the 50/50 band provided entertainment on Aug. 9, while the Lions Club put on a barbecue.

Highlands East Ward 1 councillor Steven Kauffeldt took a few turns in the dunk tank to help raise money for the Highlands East Fire Department, along with Kathy Rogers and firefighter Jen Woolacott.

Also big this year were the petting zoo and goat show.



Big trucks with all the bells and whistles

By Mark Arike Staff writer

Children and adults met some local heroes at the Minden fire hall on Aug. 12 during the most recent installment of the Make It Minden series.

The free evening event gave the public the opportunity to interact with members of the Haliburton County Paramedic Service, Ministry of Natural Resources, Haliburton Highlands OPP and the Minden Hills fire department. Those who dropped by were also able to check out emergency vehicles, try out the fire hose and take home a free goodie bag provided by the fire department.

"I'm very happy to be involved [in this event]," said Minden Hills fire chief Doug Schell.

"It's a very important thing for the community."

Lynda Litwin, coordinator of Make It Minden, said the fifth annual event of its kind was held on Tuesday because it coincided with the fire department's practice night. All of the other weekly events take place on Wednesdays in July and August in downtown Minden.

A Minden merchant sidewalk sale will be held next Wednesday from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.



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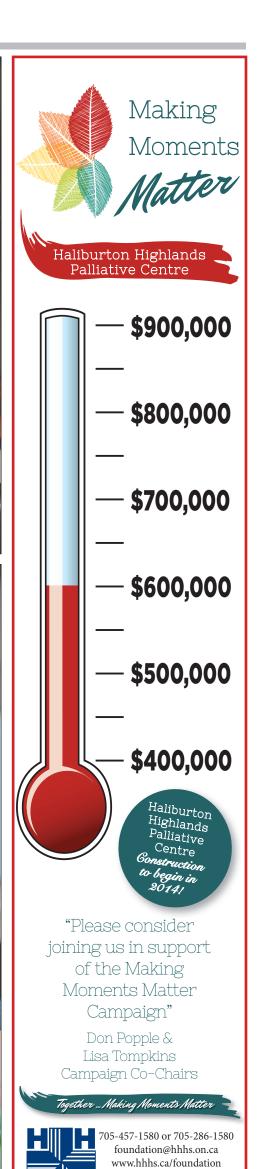
Top: Auxiliary Const. Joel Parker speaks to visitors about the work of the OPP. Above: EMS staff Jocelyn Moynes and Jennifer Button load Sparky The Fire Dog into an ambulance.







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Top left: Lynda Litwin puts fire safety gear on Jakob Drobny. Top right: Alexis Drobny tries on a firefighter's outfit. Above: Dan Steele shows Caleb Million how to use the fire hose.



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THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MINDEN HILLS COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT - NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

HEARING DATE: Monday, August 25, 2014

TIME: 9:30 a.m.

HEARING LOCATION: Municipal Council Chambers 7 Milne Street, Minden, Ontario.

In the matter of Section 45 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chpt. P. 13, as amended and in the matter of Zoning By-law No. 06-10 as amended.

File No. MV A16/2014: Part Lot 7, Concession 6 (Minden) – Mountain Lake Applicant: 1431 Ball Road

Purpose: To permit the expansion of an existing dwelling located within the shoreline setback. The applicant's lot is currently occupied by a small dwelling with an attached sleeping cabin, attached to the dwelling by a deck. The proposal involves the removal of the sleeping cabin and an expansion to the existing dwelling. The existing dwelling has a ground floor area of 410 ft2 and the proposed expanded dwelling will have a total floor area 806 ft2. The applicant therefore requires relief from Section 4.7.4 (v) of the Zoning By-law, which restricts the expansion of an existing dwelling within the shoreline setback to 25% of the existing ground floor area. In this case, the expansion would result in an increase in ground floor area of 97%. It is noted the renovation would maintain the existing shoreline setback of 15.5 metres.

File No. MV A17/2014: Part Lot 6, Concession 3, (Minden) – Minden Lake Applicant: 1101 Minden Lake Road

Purpose: The applicant proposes to construct a carport onto their existing dwelling. The carport has an area of 384 ft2 and would result in an encroachment into the rear yard. The minimum rear yard setback requirement is 12 metres and the resultant rear yard if the carport is constructed would be 0.91 metres on one corner and 3.3 metres on the other corner. The existing structure also encroaches into the shoreline setback by approximately 1 metre. As a result, expansion of the existing dwelling is limited to 25% of the existing floor area, whereas the proposed expansion would result in an increase of 36%.

File No. MV A18/2014: Part Lot 15, Concession 13, (Minden)

Applicant: 1172 Maebar Road

Purpose: To permit the construction of a new detached garage with a floor area of 35.7 m2 (384 ft2) within 6.1 metres of a watercourse whereas the Zoning By-law requires a setback of 15 metres.

File No. MV A19/2014: Part Lot 23, Concession 5 (Lutterworth) – East Moore Lake Applicant: 1370 Wessel Road

Purpose: To recognize the recent construction of a new deck and stairway that encroaches into the required minimum interior side yard, which is 4.5 metres. In this case, the recently constructed deck and stairway is located 3.9 metres from the interior side lot line.

ANY PERSON may attend the public hearing and/or make written comments to the Township of Minden Hills either in support of, or in opposition to the proposed minor variance.

NOTICE OF DECISION - A copy of the Committee's decision will be sent to the applicant and to each person who appeared in person or by counsel at the public hearing and who has filed a written request for notice of the decision with the Secretary-Treasurer.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION regarding this application will be available for public inspection until noon on the day of the meeting at the Township of Minden Hills Building and Planning Department during normal office hours.

Dated this 14th day of August, 2014

Deanna Smith, ACST (A) Assistant Secretary-Treasurer Committee of Adjustment

HELP WANTED





Now Recruiting for the 2014 Election Candidate Campaign Finance Compliance Audit Committee

The Townships of Minden Hills and Algonquin Highlands, along with the Municipality of Dysart et al are currently each seeking 1 qualified applicant and 1 alternate to serve on the Joint Compliance Audit Committee for the 2014-2018 Council term. The Committee will serve all three municipalities.

The Compliance Audit Committee addresses applications requesting an audit of a candidate's election campaign finances. This role includes, but is not limited to, reviewing applications and granting or rejecting audit requests; where an audit is granted, appointing an auditor and reviewing the audit report; and deciding whether legal proceedings shall be commenced.

Applicants must be:

- 18 years of age or older;
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 - academics from related fields such as political science or local government administration;
 - other individuals with knowledge of the campaign financing rules of the *Municipal Elections Act*, 1996.
- Preference will be given to candidates that are qualified as electors in one of the three municipalities.

The following individuals are ineligible for a position on this committee:

- Employees or Council members of the municipalities;
- Candidates in one of the municipalities 2014 Municipal Elections;
- Persons who have contributed to or intend to contribute to the campaign of a registered candidate in the 2014 Municipal Election.

How to apply:

Interested persons are invited to submit an Expression of Interest that details how they are qualified to serve on this Committee to the below address. Applications will be accepted until Friday, August 29, 2014.

Michael de Rond Deputy Clerk Township of Minden Hills 7 Milne Street, PO Box 359 Minden, ON KOM 2K0 Phone: (705) 286-1260 x-215 Fax: 705-286-4917 mderond@mindenhills.ca For Dysart et al: Cheryl Coulson, Clerk Municipality of Dysart et al 135 Maple Ave. PO Box 389 Haliburton, ON KOM 150 Phone: 705-457-1740 x-31 Fax: 705-457-1964 ccoulson@dysartetal.ca

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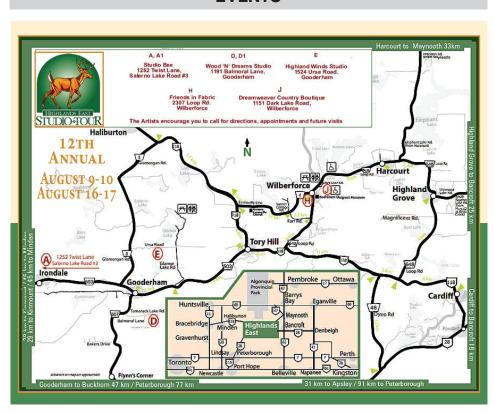
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PUBLIC MEETING



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Monday August 25, 2014 7:00 – 9:00 PM

Robert McCausland Centre 1067 Community Centre Road Gooderham, ON

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Cody Hodgson's clothing line to make Highlands debut

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By Mark Arike Staff writer

Buffalo Sabres centre Cody Hodgson is teaming up with Abbey Gardens to bring his clothing line, CoHo, to the Highlands.

On Aug. 16, the 24-yearold NHL star and Haliburton Lake cottager, along with his older brother and founder of the clothing company, Clayton Hodgson, will make an appearance at the gardens for a special meet and greet event.

"You can come and meet Cody and have a look at the sportswear clothing line, which is lovely," said Barb Bolin, vice president of Abbey Gardens' board of directors.

Described as "unique, casual and trendy for all ages," the Canadian-made line was launched by Clayton in the fall of last year. The Co stands for Cody and Ho represents the family surname. Vancouver Canucks fans gave Hodgson the moniker when he played for the team.

Bolin said the partnership between Abbey Gardens and Cody made sense because he's someone who understands the importance of good nutrition.

"Cody values healthy food a lot because



For every item of clothing sold, Clayton has agreed to donate a portion of the proceeds to Abbey Gardens. Funds will help support the operating costs of Abbey Gardens.

"The idea of this is fundraising as well as friendraising, so that people who might not normally come to

Abbey Gardens will have a chance to come and see what Abbey Gardens is all about."

Sticks and Stones Productions will be on-site to take photos of fans with Hodgson, which will be printed and can be signed by Cody for \$5. Other attractions will include garden tours, beer from Haliburton Highlands Brewing and wood-fired pizza provided by Into the Blue

All of the festivities will take place on the front porch and lawn of Abbey Gardens from 12-4 p.m. The event is free and open to those of all ages.

For more information about the event call 705-754-4769. To preview the clothing line



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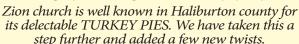
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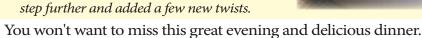
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Register with Jane or John for your audition NOW!

The auditions will be about 15 minutes in length. Please have one song prepared of your choosing, a musical resume, the preferred role you wish to audition for and be prepared to read a short dialogue that HLT assigns. Be there a minimum 10 minutes before your assigned audition time, be ready to audition right away (no warm ups in your time frame). Decisions will be made and advised on August 24 for acceptance on August 25. If someone turns down a role, alternates will be contacted immediately and given 24 hours to accept.

Not an actor or singer and want to participate? We have many positions available off stage and have posted details on the website or call John or Jane.

They include Producer, Stage Director, Stage Manager, Assistant Stage Manager, Choreographer, Costumes, Props, Make-up, Lighting, Sound, Set Design. Send your resume and brief letter of introduction.

Youth? Apply soon, we want you included, on and off stage!! If you want to increase your experience level, we welcome you. New at it? You can shadow one of the off stage positions or audition for one of the roles. We need you!

Community Theatre is alive in the Highlands. Come be a part of it!!



What's on



Amazing dog tricks

By Courtney Griffin Staff writer

Head Lake Park will be filled with dog-related vendors, visitors, and man's best friend at the Cottage Country Dog Festival on Aug. 16 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The event features a variety of competitions, including the Ultimate Air Dog dock diving contest, dog and owner look-a-like, agility demonstrations, best singer (howler), kid and mutt competition, and best dog trick.

Pretty Paws will give a presentation on how to keep your dog well-groomed and looking its best, and the Haliburton Veterinary Clinic will explain methods of keeping your dog happy and healthy in Haliburton County.

The Ultimate Air Dog competition, which consists of five splashes competing at 9 a.m., 11 a.m., 1 p.m., and 3 p.m. with finals at 4:30 p.m., is a dock diving event in which each dog gets two chances to jump off a dock into a pool to fetch a toy. Each dog gets 90

seconds to complete its jump, after which it is to return to the staging area to await its second jump.

Between 20-25 dogs are expected to participate in the dock diving event, and novices are welcome.

Organizer Tanya McCready-DeBruin from Winterdance Dogsled Tours says there will be a professional crew judging the dives who will provide training advice and help for all participants.

Hank DeBruin, a veteran dogsledder from Winterdance Dogsled Tours, will give a demonstration with his lead dog, Strider, at 3:30 p.m. DeBruin and his team are the only Canadian Siberian husky kennel to finish Alaska's 1000 mile Idatrod and the 1000 mile Yukon Quest.

According to McCready-DeBruin, the three objectives for the festival are to get people to come out and have fun with their dogs, highlight the amazing things they can do, and build a new event to promote Haliburton.



Photos submitted by Karen Larocque

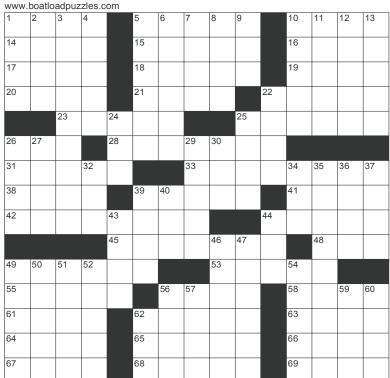
The event, a first for Haliburton, asks for a donation of \$2 per person for admission, with kids accompanied by adults admitted for free, which will be put towards next year's festival. Ribbons and prizes, donated by Bull Wrinkles Dog Treats and Royal Canine Pet Products, will be awarded for the Kid and Mutt Contest. Visitors are encouraged to bring their dogs

to the event, but dogs must be on a leash at all times. The pet contests are free to enter, but preregistration and a small fee are required for the Ultimate Air Dog competition.

For more information visit www. cottagecountrydogfestival.com or call 705-457-5281.

Events calendar

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ACROSS

- 1. Statutes
- 5. Midler or Davis
- 10. Bistro
- 14. By mouth
- 15. Foreign
- 16. Track shape
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- 19. Prison room
- 20. Pepper's mate
- 21. Imitator
- 22. Racetrack animal
- 23. Call up
- 25. Straighten up
- 26. Physicians' gp.
- 28. Soldier
- 31. Mature
- 33. Consumes too much
- 38. Eve's home
- 39. Vapors
- 41. Group of three
- 42. Wire-haired terrier
- 44. Peaks
- 45. Sports VIP (hyph.)
- 48. Turmoil
- 49. Morally pure
- 53. Pointed a gun 55. Oscar winner Berry
- 56. Dads' partners
- 58. Drinks daintily
- 61. India's continent
- 62. Wall board
- 63. Hog's dinner
- 64. Amtrak depots (abbr.)
- 65. Entertain
- 66. ____ Fitzgerald of jazz
- 67. Interlock
- 68. Continues
- 69. Shortly

DOWN

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- 3. Alternative to paint
- 4. Slow-moving mammal
- 5. Monkey's treat
- 6. Las Vegas bride, often
- 7. Wristwatch info
- 8. Sign of crying
- 9. Abolish
- 10. Chocolate drink
- 11. Ward off
- 12. Untrue
- 13. Actress Barkin
- 22. German title
- 24. Have title to
- 25. Negatives
- 26. Space
- 27. Skirt length
- 29. Thorny blooms
- 30. " Got a Secret"
- 32. Vane letters
- 34. And so forth (abbr.)
- 35. Armored mammal
- 36. Bound
- 37. Mediocre (hyph.)
- 39. Brisk wind
- That Jazz"
- 43. Calendar number
- 44. Sleeve
- 46. Least wild
- 47. Theater passages
- 49. Gorge
- 50. Rapidity
- 51. Assumed name
- 52. Cut roughly
- 54. Curved letters
- 56. Doll's cry
- 57. Burden
- 59. Horseback sport
- 60. Reach across
- 62. Crony

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SUNDAY

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WHAT'S GOING ON AT YOUR LEGION AUG 14 - AUG 20, 2014

Haliburton Branch (705-457-2571) | Minden Branch (705-286-4541) General meeting, 2nd Thursday, 7:30 p.m. Ladies Auxiliary, last Thursday, 1 p.m. Meat draw, Friday, 4:30-6:30 p.m. \$2/draw. 50/50 draw, Saturday, 4 p.m. Breakfast,

2nd and 4th Sunday, 9:30-1 p.m. Bid Euchre, Wednesday, 1 p.m. Bingo \$1,000 jackpot until Aug. 27 Wednesday, 7 p.m.

Lunch menu, Monday - Friday, 12-2 p.m. Seniors "B-d" Euchre, Tuesday, 1 p.m. Meat Draw, Wednesday, lunchtime. Creative Crew, Thursday, 10 a.m. Ladies darts, Thursday, 1 p.m. Euchre, Thursday, 7:30 p.m. Fish/Wings & Chips, Friday, 5-7 p.m. Mixed darts, Friday, 7:30 p.m.

Sports Fan Day, Sunday, 12-4 p.m.

Wilberforce Branch (705-448-2221) Pool, Friday, 1:30 p.m. Community Care lunch, Friday

705-448-2106 Jam session, Friday, 7:30 p.m. Everyone welcome!

Meat draw, Saturday, 2 p.m. L.A. Breakfast, Sunda, 9 a.m. to noon Bid euchre, Monday, 7 p.m. General meeting, Tuesday, 7 p.m.

Fun darts, Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.

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